Minutes

The City of Frederick Mayor and Board of Aldermen Virtual Workshop June 10, 2020

- I. Mayor Michael O'Connor called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Also participating were Aldermen Kelly Russell, Derek Shackelford, Roger Wilson, and Ben MacShane and Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak.
- II. On a motion made by Alderman Wilson and seconded by Alderman Russell the Board approved 5-0 the minutes of the May 27, 2020 Workshop.

III. Business Meeting

A. Grant

On a motion made by Alderwoman Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Russell the Board approved 5-0 item A.1:

1. Acceptance of a U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program Grant

B. Special Ordinance

On a motion made by Alderman Shackelford and seconded by Alderwoman Kuzemchak the Board approved 5-0 item B.1:

 Approval of Special Ordinance S-20-15 to amend the FY 2021 Budget to include revenue and associated expenditures for a U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs BJA FY 20 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program Grant

C. Contract

On a motion made by Alderwoman Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Shackelford the Board approved 5-0 item C.1:

1. First Amendment to Agreement with Delta Airport Consultants dated January 6, 2020 (RFQ FY20-A)

IV. Workshop

1. Stephen Davis, Assistant City Attorney led the discussion of a proposed cable franchise agreement with Comcast. Additional information was provided by Josh Bokee, Director of Government and Regulatory Affairs for Comcast. There were no public comments. This item will move forward to a Mayor and Board of Aldermen Public Hearing.

- Gayon Sampson led the discussion of a proposed Federal Grant Consultants Agreement with Sustainable Strategies DC (RFP 20-M). Sustainable Strategies representatives Andrew Seth, Matt Ward, and Ashley Badesch also contributed to the discussion. Public comments were received. This item will move forward to the June 18, 2020 Mayor and Board of Aldermen Public Hearing.
- 3. Katie Barkdoll, Director of Budget and Purchasing led the discussion of an Agreement with Frederick County concerning a Coronavirus Relief Fund as established under the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Public comments were received. This item will be brought forward at the June 18, 2020 Mayor and Board of Aldermen Public Hearing.
- V. Elected Officials' Comments Alderman Russell mentioned that this date marked the 43rd anniversary of her graduation from high school and offered congratulations to all of the graduates of the Class of 2020.

Alderman Shackelford noted that 2020 has been a challenging year as we approach the halfway point of the year. He discussed the march for racial justice held the previous Friday, stating it was a great opportunity to come together as a community around this cause. He noted, however, that the route to progress would be a marathon, not a sprint and the gifts and skills of everyone would be required to bring about the systemic change that is needed.

The Mayor stated he had given a briefing earlier in the day addressing the issue of racial injustice in our community. He noted residents have been speaking for the past week and assured them he has been listening. He announced that on June 24 a workshop would be held at which elected officials, as well as the Chief of Police, would discuss City polices related to the issue.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Hane Legislative Clerk